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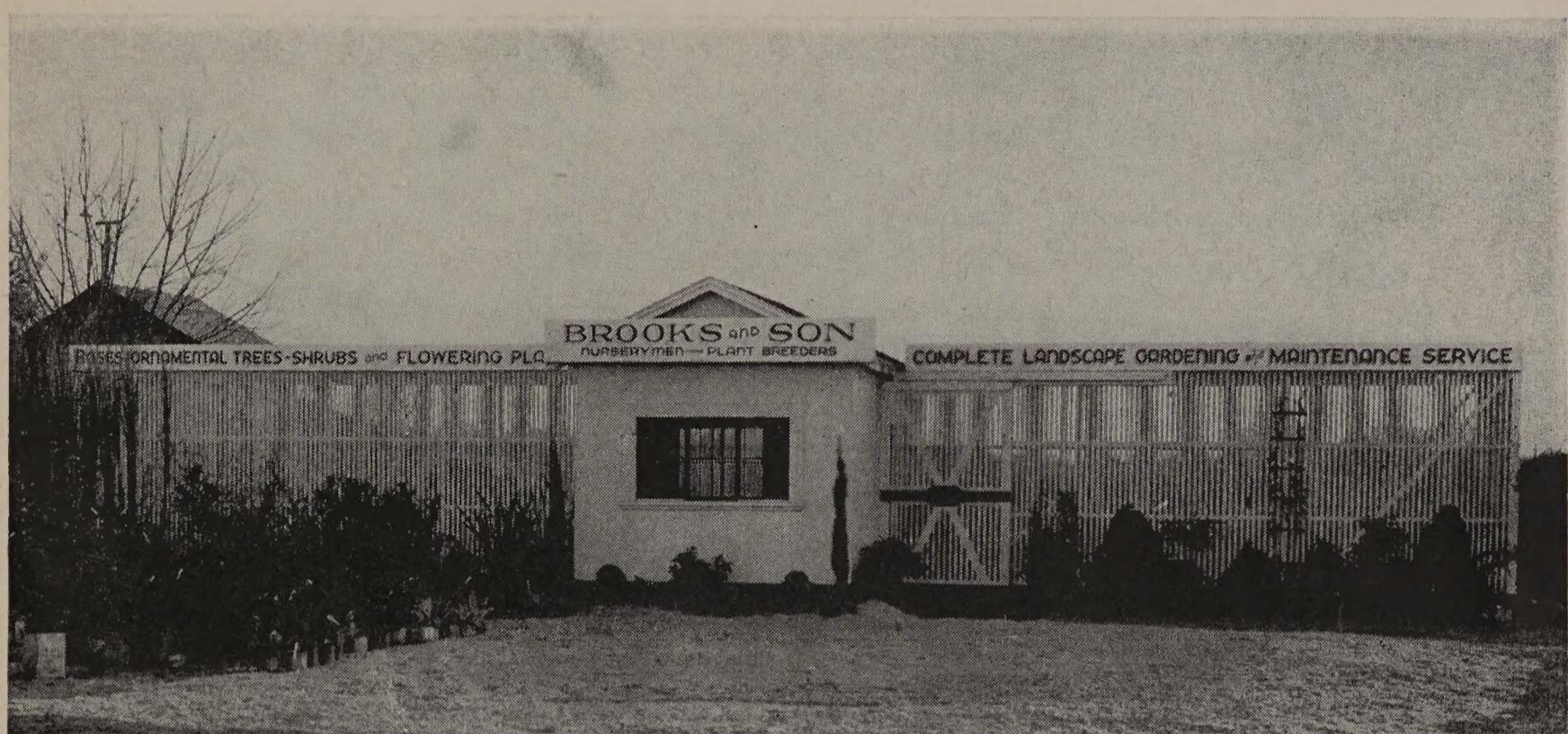
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# 1940 CATALOGUE



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*Nurserymen - Plant Breeders*

Route 4, Box 913  
MODESTO, CALIFORNIA



# Greetings

With the presentation of this 1940 Catalog we wish to again call your attention to CHI-QUITA, the most outstanding baby ROSE in the world. Also, our HOLLYWOOD PLUM merits your consideration as the best of all ornamental plums.

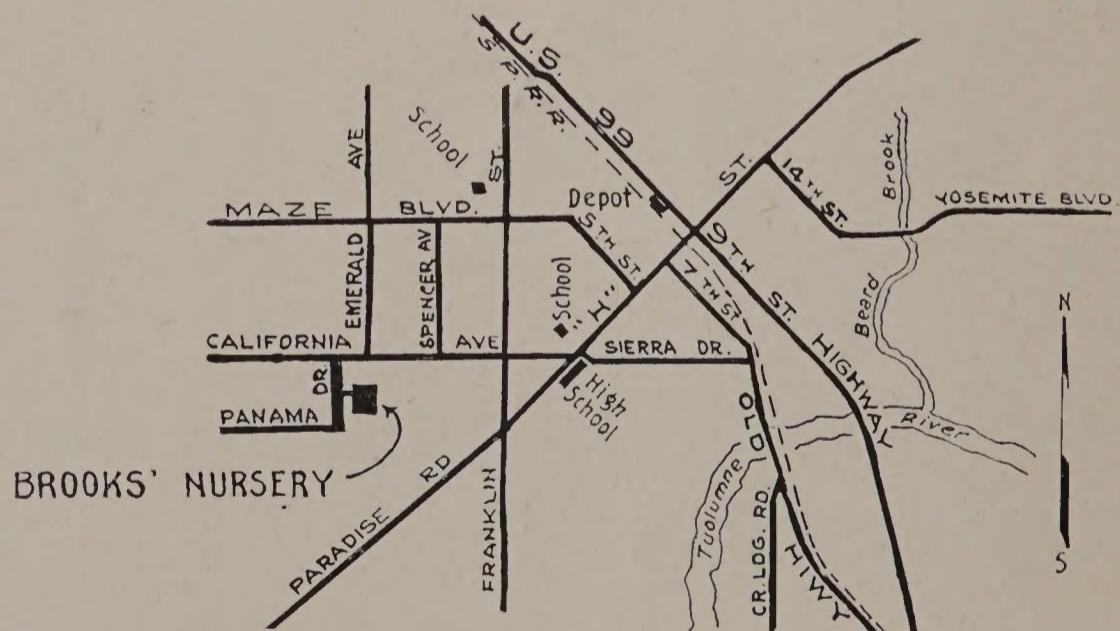
**ROSES** have been our chief interest for more than a decade. We have given a great deal of thought and energy toward the improvement in growing methods, the selection of better varieties and breeding work that has for its goal better plant quality as well as variation and improvement of the flowers. Trials indicate that our rootstock breeding has produced at least one variety that is superior to any other known variety.

We are more than ever convinced that well grown one year old field grown budded plants are far superior to the best two year old plants. Many of our customers have been kind enough to write us how well our Rose bushes performed for them. One out of state customer wrote us that he was "glad to apologize for all I said about year old rose bushes—if they are all as fine as yours. No roses in my garden made a better showing than yours." He has nearly five hundred bushes, purchased from all parts of America. We sent a few of our one year rose bushes to a professor, who has charge of rose research work in one of the largest Agricultural colleges in America. He wrote us a letter which highly praised the quality of the plants and made this statement, "The Rose bush of the future will be a SUPER-QUALITY plant grown in one year." Another customer, a very well known rosarian of the South Eastern U. S. had this to say in a recent letter, "Your plants did wonderfully. I have rarely had better growth on two-year plants from other nurseries. And your plants bloomed and bloomed and had healthy foliage."

We are this year offering for the first time what we call our SUPER-QUALITY Rose bush. Tests have convinced us that this method marks a definite step forward in Rose growing. Pictures and description of plants grown by this method will be found on page 9 of this catalog.

**VISIT US**—Roses are at their best in September and October. Pansies are in flower from November to April. Petunias come in flower in March. Columbine are in bloom most of the time from June to October.

It is our policy to make our Nursery as interesting as possible for flower and plant lovers at all times. A visit does not obligate you in any way—come any day of the year except Saturday, on which day we are always closed.



Here is our location, about one mile west of Modesto City Limits



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## Latest Rose News for 1940

### Something Entirely New — CHIQUITA (LITTLE GIRL) — the Baby Rose You Have Always Wanted

**CHIQUITA.** (Little Girl) Miniature. [Moore, 1937.] (All rights reserved.) Something different in baby Roses—a Rose that flower lovers have wanted for years. One florist, when shown this Rose, exclaimed, "Florists have waited twenty years for that Rose!" In general, the type is climbing Cecile Brunner, but the form is better and the buds are somewhat smaller. But such a combination of colors! The outside of the petals are deep orange-yellow at the base, passing to orange-copper-pink on the outer edge. The open flower is an entrancing combination of coppery-orange and salmon-pink with yellow at the base. And such fragrance! It compares favorably with expensive imported perfumes—dainty, yet intense and penetrating. It is perfect material for corsages—it holds up marvelously well, the colors and fragrance intensifying with age. The plant is of medium climbing habit, the foliage is good and it produces the exquisite little flowers in clusters right through the season from spring to fall. What more could we ask of a Rose? To grow it and know it is to love and cherish it as you do no other Rose. \$1.00 each.



Robinia Hispida

**ROBINIA HISPIDA.** (Dwarf flowering Locust) One of the best deciduous shrubs or small trees. A true Locust and is successful where any other Locust can be grown. The flowers are like large sweet peas, borne in clusters of seven to ten. The color is a deep rose-pink, with a yellow spot in the center. A lovely subject in the garden or in a floating bouquet. The handsomest of all the Locusts. 2-3 size \$1.00 each.

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### ROSE BUSHES IN CANS

First quality Rose bushes, planted in large cans of fertile soil, are available in a fine assortment of the most popular varieties. These plants will be in full growth, healthy and ready to bloom in your garden. Potted Roses are preferred by many rosarians. They can easily be transplanted without checking the growth. Use them to fill in empty spaces or for late planting.

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## Please Read Carefully When Ordering by Mail

All the Roses listed and described in this catalog are one year old field grown budded plants. They are high class stock in every way and meet every specification of the California Plant Standardization Law.

**GRADES:** The requirements of the California Plant Standardization Law are as follows:

**No. 1 or Heavy Grade**—3 strong canes 18 inches long.

**No. 1½ or Medium Grade**—2 strong canes 14 inches long.

Our plants meet these requirements in every respect. Our first thought is to grow plants that will give our customers the greatest possible satisfaction.

**ROOTSTOCKS:** Only rootstocks proven by experience to be the best are used.

**TERMS:** Terms are cash with order only. Remittance may be made by personal check, postal or Express Money Order or Bank Draft. Cash should be sent by registered letter only. All orders for BARE ROOT STOCK amounting to \$2.00 or more will be shipped transportation paid to all points **West of the Rocky Mountains**. On all orders for amounts less than \$2.00 to points as above add 10%, the minimum charge on any one order being 10 cents. **CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS MUST ADD 3% SALES TAX.**

All orders for BARE ROOT STOCK amounting to \$2.00 or more for points **East of the Rockies** add 10% and all orders amounting to less than \$2.00 add 15%, the minimum charge being 15 cents. **All shipments are packed very carefully and are guaranteed to reach you in good condition.**

**GUARANTEE:** We guarantee our Roses to be true to name and to grow and bloom the first season after planting. (Some of the climbers will not bloom the first season). All that prove otherwise will be replaced free of charge.

**BUSINESS HOURS:** Open every day from 8 A.M. to 6 P.M., except Saturday.

**AN INVITATION:** We extend a cordial invitation to all flower lovers to visit our Nursery during the blooming period. The Roses are at their best during September and October. Garden clubs and other interested groups may, by appointment, visit our Nursery as a group.

**OUR NURSERY** is located on Florence Avenue. Take California Avenue at the High School, one mile to Panama Avenue, one block left to Florence Avenue, one-half block left on Florence. (See map on page 2).

**SPECIAL NOTICE TO GARDEN CLUBS:** We now have available a lecture on the planting, pruning and winter care of Roses. This is illustrated with natural color photographic slides and will be given for a reasonable fee whenever time permits the acceptance of lecture engagements.

## Brooks' Select Everblooming Roses For 1940

On the following pages you will find listed and described some of the best of the newer Roses and a select list of the older favorites. This list is not large, but each variety has been selected as the best in its class.

Most of the finest Roses are Hybrid Teas (H.T.) and all varieties described in this catalog belong to this group unless some other abbreviation follows the name. These are the Everblooming Roses, so called because they flower continuously, or at brief intervals, all through the spring, summer and fall.

All varieties in this list are one year old field grown budded plants. These plants are of the highest quality, and being younger and having a better balanced root system in relation to the top, they re-establish themselves quicker and perform better than two year old plants.

These plants are offered in the heavy and medium sizes and except as noted, they are priced as follows:

Heavy Grade 50 cents each; \$5.50 per dozen; \$40.00 per 100.

Medium Grade 35 cents each; \$3.50 per dozen; \$25.00 per 100.

6 plants at the dozen rate. 50 plants at the 100 rate.

For explanation of grades please read paragraph 2 on page 4.

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**Austrian Copper.** (Austrian Brier) It makes a large shrub 4 or 5 feet high and as much across, and although it blooms but once in the spring, it is one of the most beautiful plants imaginable at that time, studded as it is with small, single, 2-inch blooms of the most brilliant copper-scarlet color. Do not prune it. Just leave it alone for best results.

**Catalonia.** A new color in Roses. The buds are a deep shade of rich carmine stained orange. The 50 petaled flower is of velvety orange-scarlet. This may not describe the color exactly, but it is the most vivid color we have ever seen in a rose. The plant is thrifty and healthy and produces stems of good length. The growth is spreading.

**Cynthia.** Fully double blooms of oriental-red on long stems. Very desirable as a cut flower.

**Catherine Kordes.** Perfectly formed buds and flowers of deep cherry-red, borne on fine stems for cutting. We recommend this Rose as being the best in its class.

**Christopher Stone.** A new Rose of merit. A vigorous upright bush, producing a profusion of bright velvety scarlet flowers on fine stems for cutting.

**Diane de Broglie.** Beautifully formed buds and flowers of orange-pink. Strong upright plant, long strong stems for cutting.

**Dainty Bess.** The name is very appropriate—the slender, rosy-salmon buds are held daintily on thin, wiry stems. When open the flowers have broad, fimbriated petals of pale rose. The large cluster of wine-colored stamens add a distinctive touch to this delightful rose.

**Duquesa de Penaranda.** This glorious Rose is an entrancing blend of apricot-orange and dark pink, opening to a gloriously beautiful bloom of coppery-apricot. The plant is vigorous and has plenty of light green, leathery, disease resistant foliage. A good keeper when cut. A favorite with all who know it.

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**Etoile de Hollande.** Vivid velvety red. Fragrant. One of the best.

**Federico Casas.** The beautiful long pointed bud is red with a suffusion of yellow—a beautiful combination. The flower is a combination of the same colors but of lighter tones, often reminding one of Talisman. The petals have great substance and the flowers keep wonderfully well when cut. The strong, upright growth, the fine, clean foliage and the long, strong stems on which the buds and flowers are carried combine to make this a favorite.

**Feu Joseph Looymans.** Very long, perfectly formed bud of orange-yellow. Fine for cutting. The strong growing plant is covered with glossy, deep green, perfect foliage.

**Gipsy Lass.** An unusual red Rose. The almost black bud opens to a very full, intensely fragrant flower rich scarlet-crimson with blackish shadings. The stems are long and the flowers keep a long time when cut. The plant is very vigorous, upright and is continually in bloom.

**Golden Emblem.** Long, beautifully shaped, rich yellow bud. Outside petals splashed with carmine.

**Golden Dawn.** The large oval buds are a rich sunflower-yellow, heavily suffused with cerise before opening, and develop into high centered, double flowers of lemon-yellow with a wonderful old tea Rose fragrance. Dense, compact growth with the best foliage we have ever seen on a Rose. The flowers rate at the top for cutting value.

**Golden Rapture.** Perfectly formed buds and flowers of pure yellow. Fine buds for cutting produced on a strong growing plant. A new Rose of real merit.

**Hinrich Gaede.** The more we see of this Rose the more enthusiastic we become. The bud is long and well formed and nearly always borne one to the stem. The color is nasturtium-red and opens to a high centered, sweetly fragrant flower of orange-scarlet with a nasturtium-yellow glow. A very unusual combination of colors that attracts the attention of all who see it. The plant is thrifty and is a good producer of the fine buds and flowers for cutting.

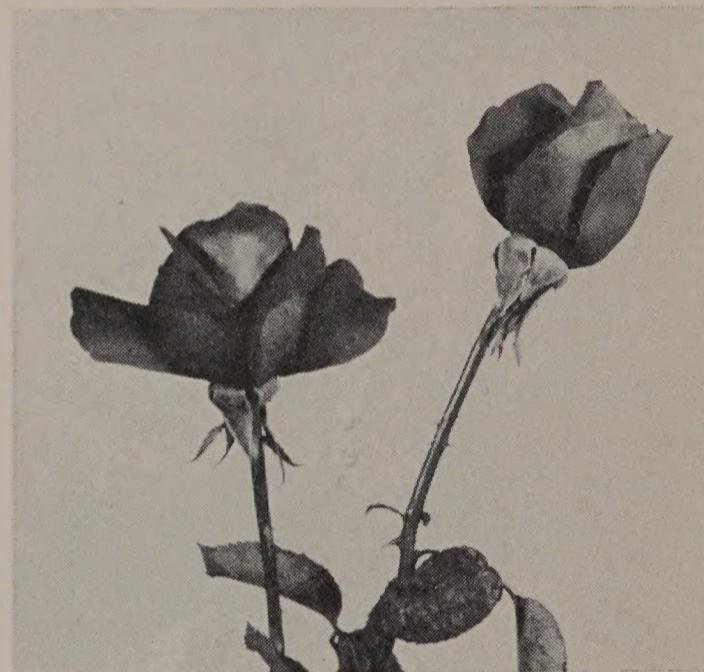
**Imperial Potentate.** Large bud, high centered, fragrant flower of rose-pink. Holds the color exceptionally well. Very good for cutting.

**Irish Charm.** Golden-apricot and blush-pink. Very attractive.

**J. Otto Thilow.** Perfectly formed buds and flowers of rich rose-pink. Unusually good for cutting. No Rose we know of has better form than this one.

**Joanna Hill.** Cadmium-orange, passing to lighter shades on outer edge of petals. A rose of unusual excellence.

**Lord Charlemont.** Beautiful form, fragrance and excellent cutting value make this deep crimson Rose a favorite.



Lord Charlemont

**Mrs. Sam McGredy.** The more we see of this glorious Rose the more enthusiastic we become. The perfectly formed buds and flowers are a copper-orange color, heavily flushed with Lincoln-red on the outside of the petals. The young foliage is a reddish-copper and is unusually beautiful. A great favorite with all who know it.

**Mrs. E. P. Thom.** Clear, deep canary-yellow. A favorite yellow.

**Mrs. Herbert Stevens.** (tea) A white Rose that is really white. A strong plant, long stems for cutting.

**Pres. Herbert Hoover.** Scarlet, flame, pink and yellow. A beautiful flower on a long stem.

**Picture.** A perfect picture in color and form. A pink Rose with a warm undertone of salmon which makes the color cheerful and glowing. A strong upright plant with fine stems for cutting. No pink Rose we know will rate above this one.

**Princess Marina.** A new Rose of real merit. The colors resemble Mrs. Sam McGredy, but are of lighter tones. A strong plant that produces the beautiful buds in great profusion. The stems are long and the buds keep a long time when cut. We rate it among the best of the new Roses.

**Red Talisman.** A new sport of the well known and liked Talisman and like it in every way except in the color of the flowers. The color is deep orange-red in the bud, the open flower being the same color but of lighter tones. In the short time we have known this Rose it has become one of our favorite reds. 75c each.

**Red Hoover.** A new sport of Pres. Herbert Hoover, and like its parent in every respect, except the colors, which can be most nearly described as orange-red, in the bud and orange-cerise in the open flower. This has made a hit with all who visited us this season and we do not hesitate to recommend it in the highest terms. 75c each.

**Raffel's Pride.** A new seedling of Talisman that looks good to us in every way. The plant is strong and upright and produces many more flowers than its parent. The flowers are smaller than Talisman with many more petals. The colors are much the same but of darker tones. We rate it at the top.

**Soeur Therese.** (Sister Therese) The long pointed buds are chrome-yellow, heavily marked with carmine; the open flower rich daffodil-yellow. Sweetly fragrant. The very thrifty, disease free plant produces plenty of the fine flowers on long stems for cutting.

**Souv. de Mme. Bouillet.** A very beautifully shaped bud, opening into a beautiful, dark cadmium-yellow flower. A glorified Lady Hillingdon.

**Souv. de Claudius Pernet.** Fadeless yellow.

**Susan Louise.** A bush Belle of Portugal. Perfectly formed buds of two-toned pink. Always in bloom.

**Southport.** A new red Rose with long buds of brilliant scarlet. A strong growing plant that carries the buds on fine stems for cutting.

**Treasure Island.** (Raffel 1938) This lovely new Rose created a sensation at the Golden Gate International Exposition, where it was on exhibition most of the season. The bud is long and pointed, with distinctive shadings of coppery-bronze and gold. The plant is of strong, upright habit and the perfect buds and flowers are carried on long stems. No Rose we know is better for cutting than this one. Stock limited. 75 cents each.

**Talisman.** A glorious combination of copper, yellow and red. Still one of the most popular Roses on our list.

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The long, cloudless growing season, the absence of Black-spot and Mildew and consequently the absence of summer defoliation, the ideal soil and the artificial application of just the right amount of moisture, combined with our ultra-modern methods of growing, enables us to produce a high quality plant in one year that will perform better in your garden. No matter how much you pay, the quality of the Rose bushes you buy is no better than their performance when planted in your garden.

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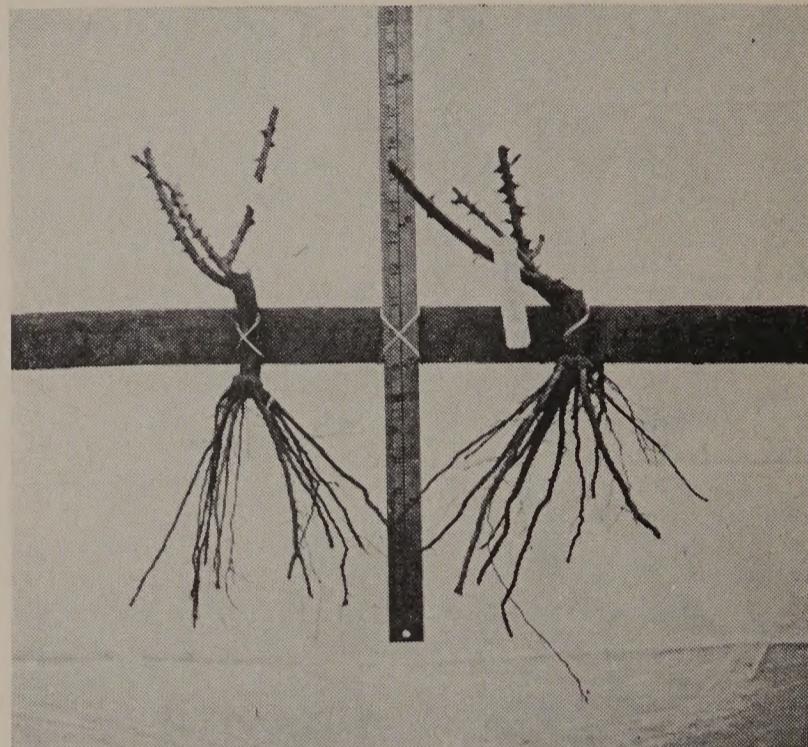
## Super-Quality Rose Bushes

For many years we have recognized that the root system is the foundation of a Rose bush and that no matter how large the top, the plant is no better than its root system. We had noticed that the wild stock always produced a better root system when its own top was allowed to remain than the same stock produced when the wild top was removed to force the hybrid tea or other Rose bud that had been inserted.

These observations led to experiments in growing Rose bushes without the removal of the wild top. By this method, strong cuttings are made of the wild stock, all natural eyes or buds are removed except the one at the top. These are planted in such a manner that when the hybrid tea or other rose is budded on in June, the wild top can be trained in a manner that allows the light to reach the bud, which causes it to start into growth. By this method, we are able to produce a Rose bush in one growing season with a root system far superior to that produced in any other way. Extensive tests have proven that you can expect superior performance from these Rose bushes when planted in your garden.



Super-Quality Rose bushes eight months from planting un-rooted cuttings.



The same plants pruned as they will come to you.

These Super-Quality Rose bushes will come to you with the wild top removed and the hybrid tea top cut to about four inches (except the climbers, which will be cut from six to twelve inches). All cuts will be sealed by a scientifically proven method. They will carry from one to four canes. Even those plants with but one cane will shape up properly with the first burst of growth, as the strong root system will force plenty of new, thrifty canes. In growing these Super-Quality plants no effort has been used to produce a large top, all effort having been used to develop the best possible root system, which is the only true basis for determining quality; therefore, while many of these plants will have three or more canes, some of them will have but one. See pictures on this page.

Super-Quality Rose bushes are offered in No. 1 quality only (the root being used to determine the grade instead of the top), and except as noted, the prices are \$.60 each; \$6.50 per dozen; \$50.00 per 100. 6 plants at the dozen rate. 50 plants at the 100 rate.

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## Super-Quality Rose Bushes

Available In Following Varieties Only

Descriptions of Roses not described in this list will be found on pages 5, 6 and 7.

**Catalonia.**

**Catherine Kordes.**

**Cecil.** A pure yellow. The simple grace of this Rose combines beautifully with other flowers for indoor or garden decoration.

**Duquesa de Penaranda.**

**Dutchess Of Atholl.** Gobular bud of coppery-orange, cupped flowers of vivid orange flushed with old-rose.

**Federico Casas.**

**Feu Joseph Looymans.**

**Golden Rapture.** Perfectly formed buds and flowers of pure yellow. Fine buds for cutting produced on a strong growing plant. A new Rose of real merit.

**Hoosier Beauty.** An intense rich dazzling scarlet with darker shadings. Acknowledged one of the best and most highly colored red Roses. The beautifully formed buds and flowers have a texture like velvet and are deliciously fragrant. The plant is thrifty and almost never without flowers during the blooming season.

**Irish Charm.** Golden-apricot and blush-pink. Very attractive.

**Imperial Potentate.**

**J. Otto Thilow.**

**Joanna Hill.**

**Mrs. G. A. Van Rossem.**

**President Hoover.**

**Mrs. G. A. Van Rossem.** Orange and apricot on a dark golden yellow ground, heavily veined with red. A wonderful combination of colors, good form in both bud and flower, sweetly fragrant and a good cut flower.

**President Plumecocq.** A really fine Rose in every respect. Perfectly formed coppery-yellow buds, large fragrant open flowers of good form—coppery-buff with an overflow of deep salmon. Fine upright plant, producing large quantities of the beautiful buds for cutting.



President Plumecocq

**Red Talisman.** 75 cents each.

**Red Hoover.** 75 cents each.

**Sister Therese.**

**Souv. De Mme. Boullet.** A very beautifully shaped bud, opening into a beautiful dark cadmium-yellow flower. A glorified Lady Hillingdon.

**Treasure Island.** 75 cents each.

**Talisman.**

## Brooks' Select Climbing Roses For 1940

Use these choice climbing Roses to cover fence, pergola or archway. Use them along your garage or any building or make of them a beautiful pillar. They will greatly enhance the beauty of your home and repay you many times in a wealth of beautiful flowers.

The following climbing Roses are offered in our SUPER-QUALITY (See page 8) only. Please read paragraphs 3 and 4 on page 8 for explanation of how these plants are graded. Except as noted, these are priced at 60 cents each; \$6.50 per dozen; \$50.00 per 100. 6 plants take the dozen rate. 50 plants take the 100 rate.

Most of the finest climbing Roses are Climbing Hybrid Teas (Cl. H. T.) and all the Roses described below belong to this group unless some other abbreviation follows the name.

**Chiquita.** (Little Girl) Miniature. (Moore, 1937) This loveliest of all miniature Roses is described fully on page 3 of this catalog.

**Cl. Cecile Brunner.** Mult. A strong climber that blooms the whole season through, producing great quantities of perfect little miniature pink buds and flowers. Much used for corsages.

**Countess Of Stradbroke.** For those who want perfection in a red Rose, this new climber from Australia will meet every requirement. In form the buds and flowers are second to none. The color is a beautiful shade of dark unfading red and has shown no tendency to blue with age. The plant is a moderate climber and has shown remarkable resistance to Rose diseases. The flowers are carried on good stems for cutting and are produced throughout the growing season.

**Cl. Dainty Bess.** A single climber that is almost continuously in bloom from April to November. The name is very appropriate—the slender rosy-salmon buds are held daintily on thin, wiry stems. When open the flowers have broad, fimbriated petals of pale rose. The large cluster of wine-colored stamens add a distinctive touch to this delightful Rose. The bush form of this Rose has attained great popularity and this climber has all the qualities to make it the most popular single climbing Rose.

**Cl. Feu Joseph Looymans.** A new and extremely fine climber. Big orange-yellow buds and flowers carried on fine stems for cutting. This new variety will take its place at the top of the list.

**Cl. Hadley.** Not a new Rose but still popular because of its many good qualities. No Rose has yet surpassed Hadley in perfection of form.

**Harriett.** A new climbing Rose with all the qualities to make it popular. The perfectly formed, very fragrant buds and flowers are of medium size—the color is golden-yellow in the center, paling slightly on the outer petals. They are produced on fine stems and keep well when cut. The young foliage is a beautiful bronze-green and the plant will often send out new canes twelve to fifteen feet in a single season. Use this superb climber wherever you want free growth and good coverage with a wealth of perfect, fragrant flowers for cutting.

**Cl. Mrs. E. P. Thom.** One of our favorite yellow climbing Roses. It is like the bush Rose of the same name described elsewhere in this catalog and has all its good qualities with the addition of good climbing habit.

**Mermaid.** H. Brac. Mammoth, pale sulphur-yellow, fragrant, single flowers 5 to 6 inches across. Often produced in great clusters of 20 to 40, but they never open more than four at one time. A hardy, free climbing plant that blooms all summer.

**Cl. Pres. Herbert Hoover.** A free climbing sport of the very popular bush Rose of the same name. Our parent bush has the everblooming habit not found in most climbers of this variety. It still has flowers at this date, November 15.

**Cl. Talisman.** Words fail when one tries to describe the marvelous beauty of this climbing Rose. Imagine, if you can, the entrancing beauty of this Rose in full bloom. Here we have a free climbing, free blooming plant that produces great quantities of buds and flowers in the same glorious combination of orange, yellow and red that we find in the bush Rose of the same name. Rates at the top for cutting value or garden decoration. If we could have but one climbing Rose it would be this one.

## Flowering Plants, Evergreen and Deciduous Trees

We grow a large assortment of evergreen and deciduous trees and shrubs and perennial plants. Below we describe a few varieties on which our stock is sufficient to justify offering them to our mail order customers.

ALL STOCK GROWN IN POTS OR CANS will be shipped by Railway Express charges collect only. No charges will be made for packing, which is done very carefully and guaranteed to reach you in good condition.

### COLUMBINE (*Aquilegia*) *Longissima*.

A recently introduced variety from Texas and Mexico, and easily one of the best of all the Columbines. Large golden-yellow flowers with spurs 6 to 7 inches long, carried on 2 to 3 foot stems. Easy to grow.

Strong plants 12 cents each. \$1.25 per dozen.

These plants are grown in  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2} \times 3$  inch square paper pots and are shipped by Railway Express charges collect only. Ready for shipment February first.

### HARROLD'S Pedigreed Giant Pansies.

Since its original introduction this Giant Exhibition type variety has won wide acceptance and popularity on its outstanding merits. The plant habit of this variety is distinctly robust and this, of course, is the basis upon which truly giant flowers of adequate texture to be most valuable must be built. Flowers have been produced from this sort that were 5 inches in diameter under ordinary garden conditions. Unlike so many large flowering sorts, the flowers have adequate texture to stand up and look one in the eye rather than being floppy as is so often the case. Flower stems are much longer than usual on so compact growing plants and normally these are long enough to make fine cut bouquets. The color range is very bright and varied lending unusual charm to mass bedding effects. We believe this the nearest ideal all around Pansy available today.

40 cents per dozen. \$3.00 per 100. 50 plants at the 100 rate.

### PETUNIAS.

The modern Petunia is a source of never ending wonder. Few plants have responded to the skill of the Plant Breeders in such a wonderful manner. They are among the most highly prized flowering plants, and rightly so.

The Petunias listed here are from the best breeders in the world and we have selected them because we believe they are the best available today. The color range is very wide, running all the way from white to red and all manner of combinations.

To attain the very large size that is bred into these monster Petunias it is necessary to use a soil very rich in humus. Well rotted cow manure and leafmold is the best source of humus. Bone meal and blood meal are excellent sources of plant food for Petunias, but never use sheep, goat or poultry manure or fish meal.

**Petunias** are offered in 3 inch wood pots in flower only. Delivery after March 1.

**Double Ruffled Monsters (Mixed).** Magnificent flowers in a wonderful range of colors, the size sometimes reaching nine inches under favorable conditions.

15 cents each. \$1.60 per dozen.

**Double Frilled Monsters (Mixed).** This is the best frilled double we know. They are truly monsters in size and the range of colors is very wide.

15 cents each. \$1.60 per dozen.

**Ruffled Monsters (Single).** A fine range of colors with flowers up to eight inches in diameter. The best of all single Petunias.

12 cents each. \$1.25 per dozen.



## Modesto Ash

California's Own Shade Tree

Introduced by us in 1936, this is rapidly becoming the most popular deciduous shade tree used in California. Apparently a natural hybrid of *F. velutina* and *F. coriacea*, the original tree, which stands in one of the parks of the City of Modesto, has in less than 20 years attained a spread of 45 feet and a height as great. Grafted on Arizona Ash root, this tree has shown growth as rapid as the very fast growing Silver Leaf Maple. The very hard, shining surface of the leaf makes it not only the most beautiful of the deciduous shade trees, but very resistant to insects and diseases. It has shown 100% resistance to red spider. Due to the fact that it sheds its leaves over a period of about two weeks and produces no seeds, it is one of the cleanest shade trees known. Adding to its great beauty is the fact that the leaves turn a beautiful golden-yellow in the autumn. We graft or bud on the Arizona Ash because it roots deeply, thus reducing to a minimum the loss from broken sidewalks and curbs, and lessening to a great extent its competition with lawns, shrubs and flowers. This root will adapt itself to a very wide range of soil conditions from alkali and hardpan and other adverse conditions to any type of good soil. It is very drought resistant but will respond to plenty of moisture and good care better than any tree we know.

It is being used extensively as a street and avenue tree in California, the first such plantings now being eight years old.

3-4 foot grade.....	\$ .95 each
4-5 foot grade.....	1.20 each
5-6 foot grade.....	1.30 each
6-8 foot grade.....	1.50 each
8-10 foot grade.....	1.75 each

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## *Hollywood Plum*

Introduced by us in 1937, this unusual plum is rapidly gaining popularity. It produces early in the spring great masses of small, single, almost white flowers carried on red stems. These are followed closely by the shining red fruit and beautiful red-green foliage; the top side of the leaves being a deep green and the underside red. The contrast is very pleasing and is maintained throughout the season. It is a heavy and consistent producer of very delicious free-stone plums that are a deep red clear through to the small pit. It ripens about the 10th of June and is the best plum for eating fresh that we know. It is equally good for jams, jellies, etc. Being free-stone, the acid present around the pit of most plums is entirely absent in this variety. Its ornamental value is equal to the best of the ornamental varieties and in addition produces fruit unequalled by any other known fruiting variety. Truly a worthy addition to any garden.

3-4 foot size.....	\$ .75 each
4-5 foot size.....	\$ .90 each
5-6 foot size.....	1.00 each
6-8 foot size.....	1.25 each

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## *Evergreen Trees*

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**Cork Oak.** (*Quercus suber*) A beautiful evergreen oak of quite rapid growth, its maximum height being about 40 feet. As its name implies, this is the tree from which cork is taken. It will stand a temperature of about 12 degrees above zero.

Gallon containers  $2\frac{1}{2}/3\frac{1}{2}$  feet 50 cents each.

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## *Deciduous Trees*

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**Hollywood Plum.** Described on page 14.

**Locust.** (*Robinia hispida*) Described on page 3.

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## *Trees*

By Joyce Kilmer

I think I shall never see,  
A poem lovely as a tree.  
A tree whose hungry mouth is prest,  
Against the earth's sweet flowering breast.  
A tree that looks at God all day,  
And lifts her leafy arms to pray.

A tree that may in summer wear,  
A nest of robins in her hair.  
Upon whose bosom snow has lain,  
Who intimately lives with rain.  
Poems are made by fools like me,  
But only God can make a tree.

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# *My Neighbor's Roses*

BY COLONEL ABE GRUBER

*The roses red upon my neighbor's vine  
Are owned by him, but they are also mine.  
His was the cost, and his the labor, too,  
But mine and his their loveliness to view.*

*They bloom for me, and are for me as fair  
As for the man who gives them all his care.  
Thus I am rich, because a good man grew  
A rose-clad vine for all his neighbors' view.*

*I know from this that others plant for me,  
And what they own, my joy may also be.  
So why be selfish, when so much that's fine  
Is grown for you, upon your neighbor's vine?*



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